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Incident #: 15-970

Nature: Assault/Child Abuse (Corrected)

Location: 600 block of Grandview Ave., Grants Pass, OR

Date/Time of Incident: 1-7-15

Completed by: Det. Sgt. Evans Approved by: Lt. Moran

Victim:

9 month old male child

Injuries:

Multiple non-life threatening injuries

Arrestee:

Morningstar, Adam V. 23 years old Grants Pass resident

Charges:

Assault 3 Criminal Mistreatment 1

DETAILS:

On 1-7-15 at 1743 hrs., patrol officers with the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety were dispatched to a local physician's office for a report of possible physical abuse to an 9 month old boy. Officers arrived and conducted a preliminary investigation, which indicated the child had suspicious non-life threatening injuries. Detectives were notified and responded to assist in the investigation.

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The investigation revealed that the child was left alone in the care of Adam Morningstar during the day. Morningstar was determined to be the boyfriend of the child's mother. When another resident returned to the house later in the day, the child was located on the floor, alone with multiple injuries. Adam Morningstar was not located at the residence. A search for Morningstar ensued, but he was not initially located.

On 1-8-15 at 1230, Detectives were able to contact Morningstar. After an interview at the Police Department, Morningstar was arrested and lodged in the jail on the listed charges.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact the Grants Pass Department of Public Safety at 541-450-6260.